

I claim:

1. A crane support comprising:

- (a) a pedestal having an upper end, and having lateral and longitudinal axes;
- 5 (b) crane mounting means fixedly attached to or formed wholly with the upper end of the pedestal; and,
- (c) first and second means for alternately pivoting and counter-pivoting the pedestal, said means being connected operatively to the pedestal, and said means  
10 respectively controlling rotating movements of the pedestal about the lateral and longitudinal axes.

2. The crane support of Claim 1 wherein the first means for alternately pivoting and counter-pivoting the pedestal comprises  
15 a mounting frame and lift arm and bucket dumping ram coupling means, said means being fixedly attached to or formed wholly with the mounting frame.

3. The crane support of Claim 2 wherein the second means  
20 for alternately pivoting and counter-pivoting the pedestal comprises an axle, said second means being further operatively connected to the mounting frame.

4. The crane support of Claim 3 wherein the second means  
25 for alternately pivoting and counter-pivoting the pedestal

further comprises laterally extending outriggers, each laterally extending outrigger having a proximal end and a distal end.

5        5.    The crane support of Claim 4 wherein the lift arm and bucket dumping ram coupling means comprise a hook plate and eye plate combination or comprise pin and clevis mounts.

10       6.    The crane support of Claim 5 wherein the laterally extending outriggers comprise a plurality of segments and first telescoping means connected operatively to the segments for alternately laterally extending and retracting the distal ends of the laterally extending outriggers.

15       7.    The crane support of Claim 6 wherein the second means for alternately pivoting and counter-pivoting the pedestal further comprises segmented feet attached to the distal ends of the laterally extending outriggers, and second telescoping means being operatively connected to the segmented feet, the second telescoping means being adapted for alternately downwardly  
20       extending and upwardly retracting the segmented feet.

8.    The crane support of Claim 7 further comprising releasable locking means connected operatively to the pedestal, the releasable locking means being adapted for alternately

resisting and permitting pivoting motions of the pedestal about the longitudinal axis.

9. The crane support of Claim 8 wherein the first and  
5 second telescoping means comprise a plurality of hydraulic cylinders.

10. The crane support of Claim 9 wherein the releasable locking means comprises a hydraulic cylinder.

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11. The crane support of Claim 10 wherein the laterally extending outriggers' segments comprise a first plurality of quill and slide shaft combinations.

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12. The crane support of Claim 11 wherein the segments of the feet comprise a second plurality of quill and slide shaft combinations.

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13. The crane support of Claim 12 wherein the pedestal has a lower end, and further comprising a base fixedly attached to or formed wholly with the lower end.

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14. The crane support of Claim 13 wherein the first and second pluralities of quill and slide shaft combinations comprise lengths of steel square tubing.

15. The crane support of Claim 14 wherein the pedestal comprises a length of steel square tubing.

16. The crane support of Claim 4 further comprising a forwardly and downwardly extending outrigger fixedly attached to the pedestal.

17. The crane support of Claim 16 wherein the forwardly and downwardly extending outrigger comprises a quill and slide shaft combination.

18. The crane support of Claim 17 wherein the forwardly and downwardly extending outrigger further comprises a two way hydraulic cylinder mounted for alternate extension and retraction of the slide shaft.